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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

The reply filed on 1-15-03 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicants have not addressed the rejection of claims 1-6, 11-41 and 46-50 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph for the reasons of record set forth in the Official Action mailed 5-08-02. There are no amendments or arguments made of records that address this rejection. Additionally, Applicants have cancelled claim 5 and have not amended claim 6, which is dependent upon cancelled claim 5. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Janet L. Epps-Ford, Ph.D. whose telephone number is 703-308-8883. The examiner can normally be reached on M-T, Thurs-Friday 9:00AM to 7:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John LeGuyader can be reached on (703)-308-0447. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-305-3014 for regular communications and 703-746-5143 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-0196.

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